

I am outraged and insulted that Sinclair Broadcasting would force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. I have been a fan of television for 45 years and never in my life have I ever felt like moving to a desert island where I never have to see such garbage again. The public media and news programs have failed to inform and enlighten consumers. Thank goodness for the internet.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter. I am sick of hearing about murders and car chases. I hate reality shows.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. I am going to buy a satellite dish and never watch another public television broadcast again.